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Bush selects new labor secretary

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President-elect Bush chose Elaine Chao, a former Peace Corps director and the wife of a Republican senator, to become secretary of labor Thursday, filling the Cabinet post two days after his first nominee withdrew under fire.

He said he expects tough questioning when his Cabinet nominees appear before Senate hearings, and he also expects them all to be confirmed.

"I never expected our nominees to sail through without harsh questioning," Bush told a news conference before flying back to Texas one last time to prepare for his inauguration at the Capitol on Jan. 20.

The president-elect thus completed his Cabinet selections, again, after his initial choice for the labor post, Linda Chavez, withdrew to quell controversy over the disclosure that she had provided a home and financial support to an illegal immigrant who performed household chores for her in the early 1990s.

Zoellick promised to work closely with Congress, "both sides of the aisle, from day one," to promote the free trade policies Bush supports. The president-elect said Zoellick will have Cabinet status because of the vital importance of trade policy to the new administration.

Chao said she would work to "protect, nurture and develop America's most precious resource," its working men and women.

Chao is the wife of Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., and had been a prospect to return to the transportation department, where she served as deputy in the administration of former President Bush.

That nomination went to Norman Mineta, now commerce secretary, the one Democrat in the prospective Bush Cabinet.

Chao became director of the Peace Corps in 1991, headed United Way of America from 1992 until 1996, and now is a fellow at the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank.

The announcements were the last business in Bush's two-day visit to Washington. Afterward, he headed back to his ranch near Crawford, Texas.

Answering questions from reporters, Bush said yes when asked whether he had expected some of his nominees would have trouble over confirmation. He said he wasn't surprised at the opposition to Attorney General-designate John Ashcroft, a staunch conservative, and that he is confident the Senate will approve him in the end.

Bush was asked whether a 1996 speech by Gail Norton, his nominee for secretary of the interior, lamenting the undermining of states' rights after the Civil War, might indicate a retreat from minority rights now.

"I'd say that just is a ridiculous interpretation," he said. He said special interests in Washington "like to tear people down," and the criticism of Norton is an example.

As for the environmental critics who oppose her because she advocates oil and gas exploration in the Alaska National Wildlife Reserve, Bush said "it shouldn't surprise people that I pick people who share a philosophy with me."

Bush said the same applies to the Ashcroft nomination. To Democrats who say the Ashcroft hearings will be divisively hostile, Bush said it will be up to the Senate questioners to decide "how civil" the proceedings will be. He said the answers will be delivered with dignity.

"I expected at least one member of my Cabinet to get a pretty tough hearing," Bush said. "... I've never known a Senate just to say, `Gosh this is just a wonderful selection and we'll let them all sail through.' "

Bush also was asked his reaction to President Clinton's remark in a Chicago speech that he won the White House because the Republicans stopped the vote counting in Florida.

"I won the recount, I think, three or four times," Bush said. "... When they counted the ballots in the state of Florida, I won, and he can say what he wants to say."

Zoellick is a close associate of former Secretary of State James A. Baker III. When Baker was treasury secretary in the Reagan administration, Zoellick served as his executive secretary, controlling the paper flow into Baker's office. He later was undersecretary of state for economic affairs when Baker headed the State Department in the administration of Bush's father.

The trade representative, which carries the rank of ambassador, is the chief U.S. negotiator in trade talks with other nations. The post traditionally has been given Cabinet rank, a designation Bush kept. Earlier, Bush aides had indicated that his former campaign manager, Commerce Secretary-designate Don Evans, would take the lead on trade. But trade experts argued that downgrading the representative's office could weaken the administration's hand in negotiations with other countries.

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Bush's latest secretary of labor appointee Elain Chao is a former director of the Peace Corps. Her selection follows the withdrawl of Bush's initial choice, Linda Chavez.

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Chris Cannon addresses his audience at a town hall meeting in Provo on Thursday. Cannon said the United States should withdraw from the United Nations.

Cannon hosts town meeting discusses U.N. and the media

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The meeting was slated to be about current issues in Washington D.C. Instead, it turned into a debate about the United States' membership in the United Nations.

Nearly 70 local residents turned out for a town hall meeting organized by Rep. Chris Cannon at the Utah County Administration Building on Thursday.

Although other issues were brought up, the discussion kept returning to opinions about the United Nations and why the United States should get out of it.

Barbara Jean, a radio talk show host, admonished Chris Cannon to either sponsor or support a bill that would remove the United States from the "purveyors of the new world order."

"The United Nations is the nemesis stopping your life from proceeding as you would like," Jean said.

Cannon agreed with what the audience said, but was hesitant in committing to introduce such a bill.

"We don't need to be in the U.N. We are half the world," Cannon said. "There is no country that is as robust as we are."

However, Cannon said now is not the time for him to sponsor a bill that would remove the country from the United Nations.

Provo resident Jerry Salcido asked Cannon if he would back a bill brought before the House of Representatives by Rep. Ron Paul, R-Texas, that would remove the United States from the United Nations.

"Why won't you do the right thing, right now?" Salcido said.

Cannon said he was not sure Rep. Paul's bill was exactly the right way for the United States to proceed.

Another topic of discussion was how conservatives can effectively battle a liberal national media.

Shirley Palmer, a Provo resident, said the voice of Republicans is not being heard nationally.

"We have to figure out a way to fend off the daily attacks in the media," Palmer said.

Cannon said the best way for local activists to get their messages heard is on the Internet.

He encouraged the crowd to organize, and said the voice of a group is much stronger than the voice of an individual.

People at the meeting also applauded Cannon's role in President Clinton's impeachment trial.

California storms drain power-strapped state

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — California faced the threat of rolling blackouts Thursday as a storm battered key power plants while others were down for maintenance, cutting generation one-third in the already power drained state.

The state's energy regulators declared a Stage 3 power alert at midmorning as electricity reserves dropped below 1.5 percent, but stopped short of ordering scattered blackouts.

The California Independent System Operator, keeper of much of the state's power grid, asked Pacific Gas & Electric Co. to interrupt customers who volunteered to cut power use in exchange for lower rates, ISO spokesman Pat Dorinson said.

"It's going to get ugly today," he said.

The state was "losing megawatts by the hour," Dorinson said. As narrow as margins were in the morning, he said the state's power situation could worsen by early evening when power demands would be even higher.

California's power production fell more than 15,000 megawatts as a storm carrying high winds and heavy rain battered California. One megawatt is enough to power 1,000 homes for an hour.

The 15,000 megawatts lost amount to one-third of the state's generating capacity, Dorinson said.

Key plants hit by the storm included the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant in San Luis Obispo along the Pacific north of Los Angeles, which was hampered by high surf that blew sea kelp into its intake valves.

Storm-tossed waves that could rise as high as 28 feet forced Diablo Canyon to cut to just 20 percent of normal output. Each of the station's two 1,100-megawatt generators provide enough electricity to serve about a million people.

Some plants were down for scheduled maintenance, Dorinson said. And a plant that produced 1,600 megawatts of power went offline suddenly Wednesday night, he said, declining to identify it.

The need to save power was hitting home around the state. The 19,000-student Cal Poly Pomona shut down, sending classes and staff home Thursday morning to try to conserve energy.

"I turn on the heater for just 10 or 15 minutes and then turn it off," said Terri Samonte, a senior clerk typist with the San Francisco city attorney's office. She said she loaded batteries in her flashlight and would head to a grocery store after work to stock up with nonperishable food.

The threat of blackouts came just hours after the expiration of an emergency order by U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson that had helped keep electricity flowing to California.

The order, which required out-of-state power suppliers to keep selling to California utilities despite their poor credit - expired at midnight after state officials missed a deadline for extending it.

The Energy Department said it would only consider extending the order if state officials guaranteed by noon this past Tuesday that California would cut peak electricity use by 5 percent over the next week to show the state has started conserving.

Richardson said he would insist that Gov. Gray Davis provide an electricity conservation plan before Richardson would extend the emergency order.

Davis called the missed deadline "a bureaucratic snafu," and didn't push for an extension because he believes providers aren't now likely to cut off power to the state's utilities based on the ongoing negotiations, said Davis spokesman Steve Maviglio.

Thursday's alert was the second Stage 3 declared by the ISO in recent weeks as California struggles to maintain an adequate power supply.

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Missing minister found after 16 years

DALLAS — A youth minister who had been missing and presumed dead for 16 years was recently discovered living under an assumed name when a former congregant recognized him preaching at a Texas church.

James Simmons, formerly known as Wesley Barrett "Barre" Cox, told family members that he suffered a beating in 1984 and awoke from a coma with no memory of his wife, his 6-month old daughter or his job as a youth minister in San Antonio.

Authorities have been unable to confirm Simmons' story. Police and the FBI said they are investigating but have found no records of the case.

George Cox said his brother told him he was found beaten and bloody in the trunk of a car in a Memphis, Tenn., junkyard. Simmons awoke in a hospital and was told that he had been in a coma two weeks, George Cox said.

$750,000 house goes down in flames

NORTH SALT LAKE, Utah — A fire that reportedly was started by children playing with a lighter has destroyed a $750,000 house.

Kimberly Stoker had just sent her son Steven and his friends back to school after lunch Wednesday when her 5-year-old son told her something was wrong, said Stoker's mother, Ann Lund.

"She told me she saw smoke coming up from the basement and that's when she knew she had to get up on the third floor, because that was where the other child (age 3) was," Lund said.

Stoker called 911 and got her children to safety. Left inside was the family dog, but it came running out when she opened one of the doors and called.

Jim Rampton, assistant chief for the South Davis Fire District, said the fire appeared to have started in the basement and raced through the interior, burning through the floors and eventually breaking through the roof of the 5-year-old house.

Energy crisis costing Utah colleges

SALT LAKE CITY — Skyrocketing energy costs are draining Utah college and university budgets

Over the past fiscal year, the cost of natural gas at the University of Utah has risen 130 percent, said Arnold B. Combe, vice president for administrative services.

Increases in electric rates, a ripple effect of power deregulation in California, are also in store.

The university gets most of its power from Utah Power, owned by PacifiCorp, and some from the Western Area Power Association. PacifiCorp officials said last Friday they plan to seek a large-scale rate increase from the Utah Public Service Commission.

"This year, we expect (energy) costs will exceed the university's budget by $2 million," Combe said. "And they are certain to be even higher next year."

University President Bernie Machen last week sent a letter to all faculty and staff calling for conservation measures.

Kawasaki recalls defective motorcycles

WASHINGTON — Kawasaki Motors Corp. is recalling about 18,000 motorcycles because the rear brakes can fail.

The recall, ordered Thursday, was made in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Safety Commission.

The recalled motorcycles are 2001 KX series motocross vehicles with model numbers KX65, KX85, KX100, KX125, KX250 and KX500.

The name Kawasaki appears on each side of the frame near the steering column and the model number appears on each side of the frame running from the rear tire to the breaking system. The motorcycles are green with white on the front of the steering column and on each side of the seat.

The motorcycles were sold from May to November of last year. No injuries as a result of the brake defect have been reported, the commission said.

For more information, consumers should call their local dealership or Kawasaki at (866) 802-9381.

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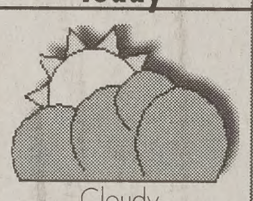
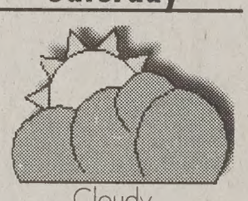
High 53		
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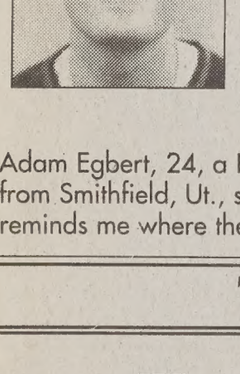

"Believe in God; believe that he is, and that he created all things, both in heaven and in earth; believe that he has all wisdom, and all power, both in heaven and in earth; believe that man doth not comprehend all the things which the Lord can comprehend."

— *Mosiah 4:9*

Adam Egbert, 24, a Korean and information systems double major from Smithfield, Ut., said "this is a great scripture because it reminds me where the basis of my faith is."

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Athletes considered Utah resident

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The state Board of Regents is considering a proposal to charge in-state tuition rates for U.S. athletes training in Utah.

The proposal to grant the athletes resident status will be before the regents today.

In-state tuition is one-fourth to one-third nonresident tuition.

The U.S. Olympic Committee is requesting the tuition break for the U.S. athletes.

It has won tuition relief for athletes in other cities with Olympic training facilities: Colorado Springs, Colo.; Lake Placid, N.Y.; and San Diego, Calif. Schools in Marquette, Mich., home of the Olympic Education Center, also grant athletes resident status.

If approved, the change in regent policy would be permanent.

Charlie Johnson, board chairman, said only 10 to 15 athletes are expected to take advantage of the opportunity the first year it is offered.

Only athletes participating in training programs at Utah facilities that are approved by their sports' governing bodies would be eligible. Foreign athletes would be excluded.

graphic by brody larson

Universities would absorb the loss in tuition money, which higher education officials estimate will be marginal.

Johnson expects the measure will pass with little discussion.

He said there was some concern among higher education officials about fallout from the Salt Lake Olympic bid scandal. As part of the bidding process, some children of International Olympic Committee members were given scholarships to Utah universities.

But the proposed changes shouldn't be regarded as scholarships, "these aren't sch... said David Buhler, m... tions director for the con... er of higher education. "...

It's not foreign athlet... are our athletes coming... train and live," he said.

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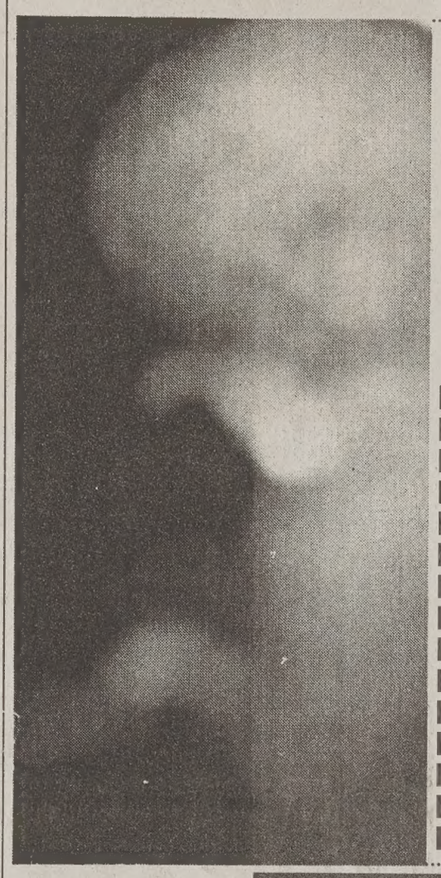

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IGTON — Indonesian billionaire James agreed to pay a record $8.6 million crimi- ad plead guilty to using corporate funds a Lippo Group to reimburse contributors nton's 1992 campaign for the presidency, Department announced Thursday night.

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rms of a plea bargain filed in U.S. District os Angeles, Riady agreed to surrender to this country at an unspecified future though there is no extradition treaty ndonesia and the United States.

summary released last year said Democra- aiser John Huang, a Riady employee, at Riady had told Clinton, while he was governor, during a limousine ride that he raise $1 million for his campaign. Huang leaded guilty to a campaign financing d has been cooperating with the govern- August 1999.

ril, Clinton told federal investigators that t have "a specific recollection of what the ton was, or this fact of the car ride." He ally remembered seeing Riady "sometime er I became the nominee," and that Riady help his campaign.

greed to plead guilty to a felony charge of to defraud the United States. Foreign contributions are illegal under U.S. law.

ion, LippoBank California, a California tered bank affiliated with Lippo Group, agreed to plead guilty to 86 misdemeanor accounts charging that its agents, Riady and Huang, made illegal foreign campaign contributions from 1988 through 1994.

Riady is one of 26 people and two corporations so far charged by Justice's campaign finance task force since it was established four years ago.

A Justice Department official, requesting anonymity, said federal sentencing guidelines would not call for a prison term for a first-time offender like Riady for this type of felony conviction.

This official added that independent counsel Robert Ray, who is investigating Clinton on other matters, was consulted and indicated that the plea agreement was consistent with the best interests of his investigation, which does not include campaign financing.

Ray's office has prosecuted former Justice official and Clinton friend, Webster Hubbell, and has investigated whether payments to him, including $100,000 from Lippo Group, after he resigned were designed to keep him from testifying against Clinton or his wife, Hillary.

The government's court filing said the goal of the contributions was to obtain access, meetings and time with politicians, elected officials and top government officials; to enhance the contacts and status of the Lippo Group and LippoBank with business and government leaders here and abroad, and to find business opportunities for Lippo Group and LippoBank.

Since last August, Riady, an Indonesian citizen, has met about half a dozen times with U.S. prosecutors and FBI agents to outline the information he could provide as part of a plea bargain.

If we are to go forward, we go back and discover those precious values — that all reality hinges on moral foundations ..."
— Martin Luther King, Jr.

Temple trespassers arraigned in court

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Instead of giving a plea, both Michael and Dea Robinson requested their right to counsel at their arraignment Thursday morning in South Jordan City court.

According to a South Jordan Police Department police report, the Robinsons, both 28 and from West Jordan, were arrested Dec. 22 after pushing past security guards with their six children and entering the Jordan River Temple, which was closed for the Christmas season.

The arrest has garnered attention because Michael Robinson later told police he was trying to get into the temple with his family because he believed he had been crucified and was a resurrected being.

As charges against Michael Robinson were read, he declined to plead guilty, not guilty or no contest, and then requested an attorney. He stated that since the arrest he had lost his job and could not afford a lawyer. The judge appointed attorney Rex Huang to be Robinson's council.

Michael Robinson was arrested for assault and criminal trespass, a charge that carries a potential $1,500 fine and up to nine months possible jail time.

Dea Robinson was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass, a charge that does not carry jail time.

After she declined to plea, she also requested a lawyer. Judge Clinton Balmforth informed her she would not be given a court-appointed attorney because her charges carried no jail time.

A new date for the arraignment was set for Jan. 22 at 11 a.m. at the South Jordan City Courthouse.

While securing the temple, police found the couple in the veil area wearing only temple garments. The Robinsons' clothes were found in the Celestial Room.

Police brought the family down to the lobby. According to the report, Michael Robinson was "passively resistant and had to be carried."

While police were waiting and trying to decide how to proceed, Michael Robinson allegedly tried to force himself out of the room.

After repeated attempts to get by the two officers, a scuffle between Michael Robinson and the two policemen broke out. According to the police report, four police officers eventually had to restrain him, taking him by the feet, head and torso, securing him to a backboard provided by the South Jordan Fire Department.

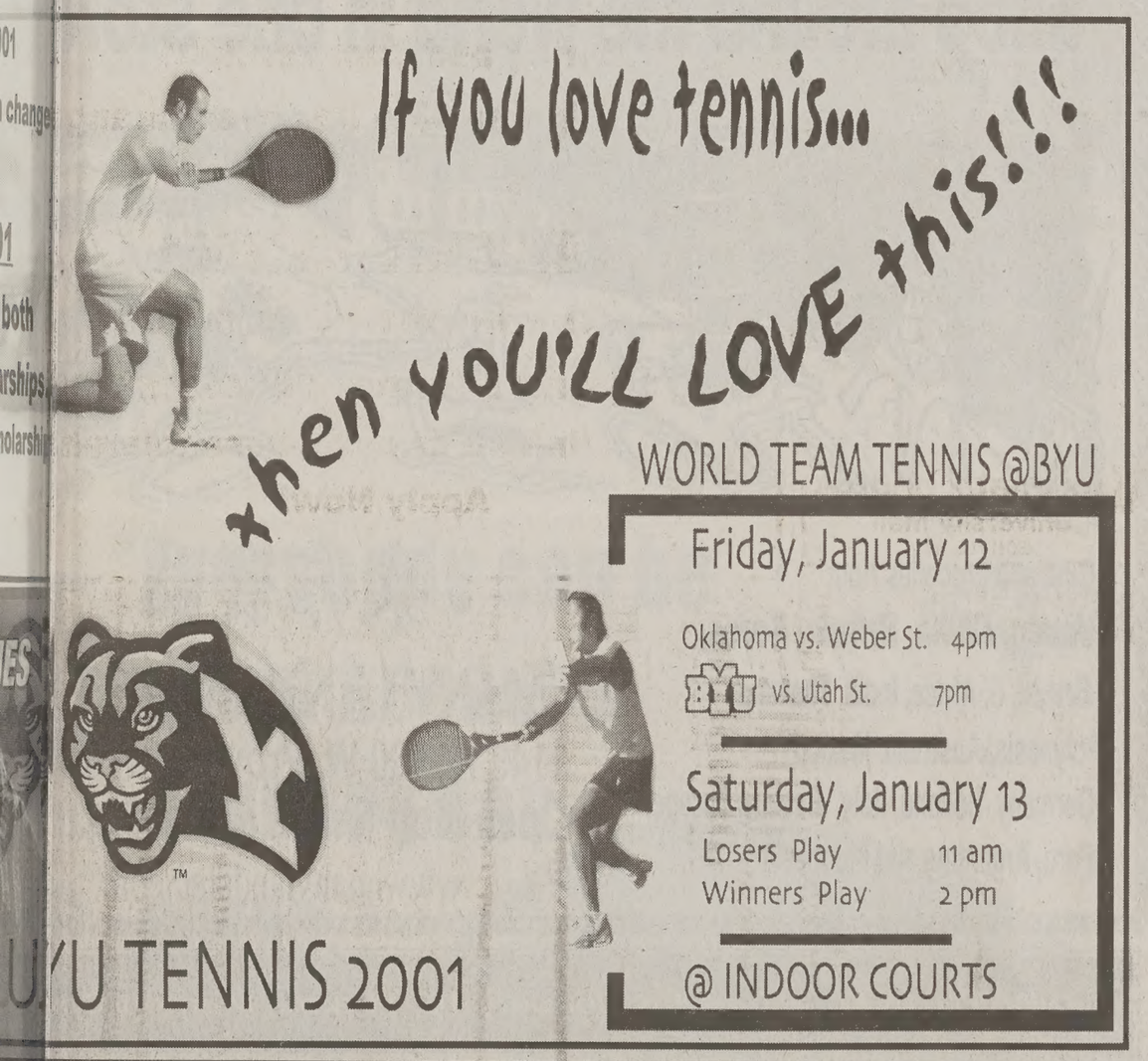
The police report also stated that officers were successful in questioning Michael Robinson after restraining him. He allegedly told officers he believed he was dead and had entered the Celestial Kingdom.

He continued by telling officers he believed he had been crucified, that the blood had been cut off to his hands and that his heart had stopped beating, according to the police report.

Dea Robinson allegedly refused to cooperate and answer questions. According to the officers, she sang church hymns during the entire ordeal.

The report states that, later that evening, the Robinsons were taken to University Medical Center for a psychological evaluation.

Both were eventually released.



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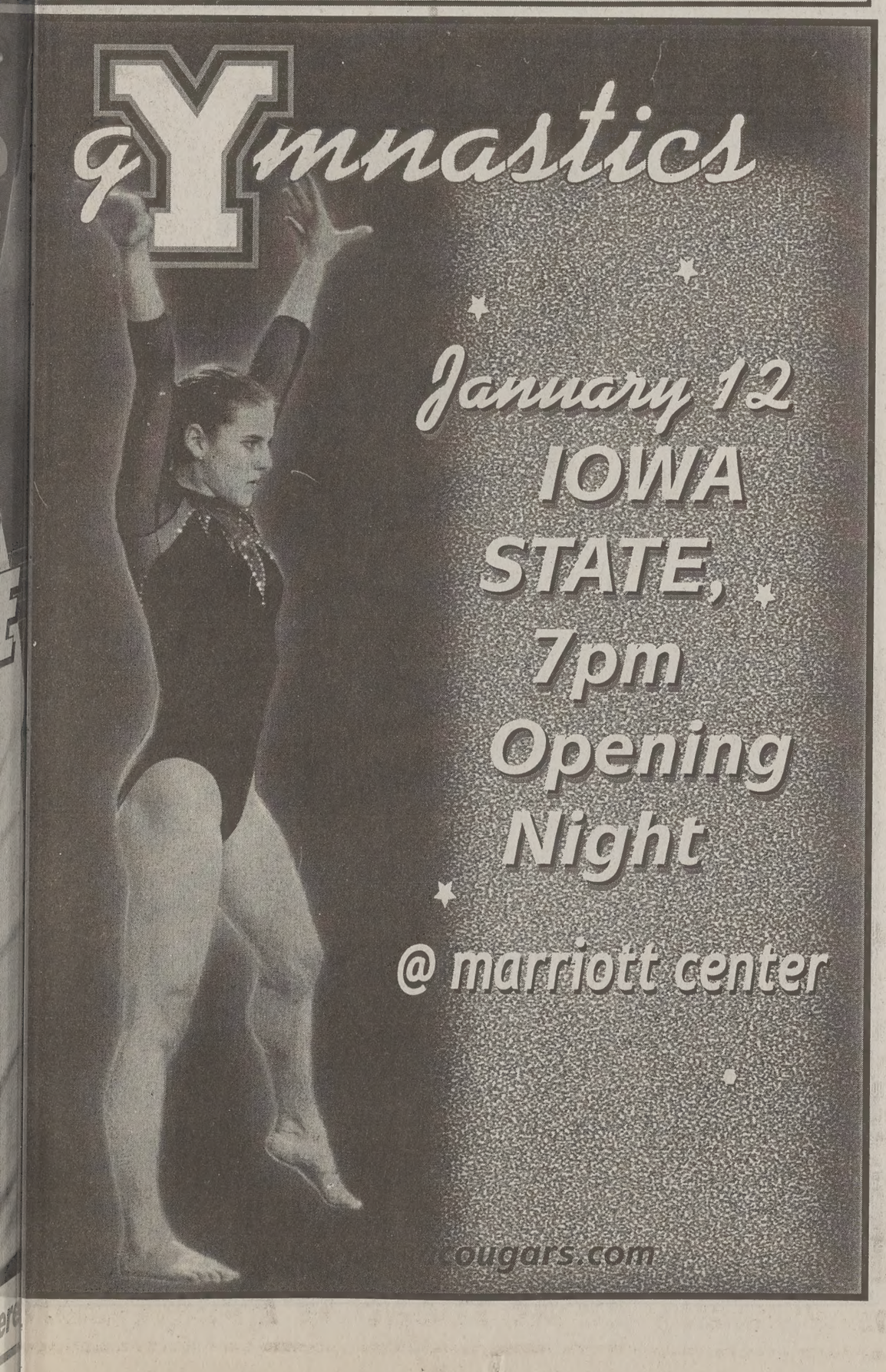

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Serb pleads innocent to crimes against humanit

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THE HAGUE, Netherlands — Flanked by female sentries, Biljana Plavsic, the most senior Bosnian Serb to face a war crimes tribunal, pleaded innocent Thursday to genocide and other crimes against humanity amid speculation she might be willing to testify against her former cohorts.

The 70-year-old Plavsic — the only woman among more than 30 suspects in custody at The Hague — was accused of being part of the Bosnian Serb wartime presidency that allegedly ordered the executions of thousands of Muslims and Croats in an "ethnic cleansing" campaign at the outset of the 1992 — 1995 conflict.

If former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic or other top suspects still at large are ever brought before the 14-judge tribunal, Plavsic would almost certainly be called to testify against them because of her knowledge of wartime decision-making structures.

Her voluntary surrender on Wednesday after learning of the secret indictment fueled speculation she had cut a deal — despite a denial from chief prosecutor Carla Del Ponte.

"There must be some expectation of a reduced sentence," said Avril McDonald of the T.M.C. Asser Institute of International Law in The Hague.

> "I do not feel guilty"
>
> — Biljana Plavsic
> Bosnian Serb

The U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Richard Holbrooke, called Plavsic's surrender a "historic moment" and urged Milosevic and other indicted war criminals to do the same, warning that she would tell the U.N. tribunal what went on during the Bosnian war.

At a news conference in New York, Holbrooke, chief negotiator of the 1995 Dayton peace accord that ended the war, said NATO had been notified about Plavsic's secret indictment in April but chose to negotiate rather than arrest her.

"NATO was going to pick her up or else she could come in voluntarily," he said. "She did the right thing."

Dressed in a violet skirt and blazer, the silver-haired Plavsic, a former biology teacher, stood confidently Thursday as her indictment was formally presented by Del Ponte's team.

"I do not feel guilty," she said in Serbian as Judge Richard May of Britain listed each of the nine counts on her indictment, including genocide, extermination, persecution, deportation and inhumane acts.

Plavsic was an ally of the Bosnian Serb wartime president, Radovan Karadzic, whom she succeeded after the Bosnian war ended with the 1995 Dayton peace agreement. Karadzic has been indicted on the same charges but remains at large.

Plavsic broke with Karadzic and other hard-liners after the war, believing that cooperation with the United States and its allies was the best way to guarantee a future for the Bosnian Serbs.

She flew to The Hag hearing of a secret inte warrant issued last Apri arrest, Plavsic's lawyer, Simic, said.

Simic requested pre release, complaining would have to be kept in confinement because the detainees were all male.

Del Ponte promised t her conditions in the th detention block.

Plavsic's surrender wa a boost for the U.N. which has convicted 14 Serbs, Muslims and Croa ly lower-level war crimin 1995.

Utah bankruptcy increases

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Bankruptcy filings in Utah last year totaled a record 15,138 cases, an 8 percent increase over 1999.

"We had over 4,000 filings in the last three months of the year," said William Stillgebauer, clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for Utah. "It was one of the busiest three-month periods we ever experienced."

Despite having one of the lowest poverty levels in the nation, Utah is well known as a state with an unusually high number of bankruptcy filings. Some economists suggest that is because of the state's large families.

Nationally, bankruptcies are expected to decrease 5 percent to 6 percent for the year.

The record level of personal insolvencies last year made Utah the No. 2 state behind Tennessee in the number of bankruptcy filings per adult, said George R. Yacik, vice president at SMR Research, a consumer-debt research firm in Hackettstown, N.J.

Utah is often among the top 10 states in the number of bankruptcy filings per household - in 1998, it ranked fourth. "But when you look at the number of bankruptcy filings per adult, the state ranks even worse," Yacik said.

In the first nine months of 2000, there were 10.6 bankruptcy filings for every 1,000 adults in Utah - 74 percent higher than the national average. Tennessee led with 11.1 petitions.

Utah also ranks as one the leading states in the percentage of Chapter 13 filings, said Travis Plunkett of the Consumer Federation of America.

Last year, 40 percent of Utah residents filing bankruptcy sought relief under Chapter 13, which allows individuals to set up a plan to repay their debts over time, typically three to five years.

Nationally, only about one-third of personal bankruptcies file under Chapter 13, Plunkett said. The rest file for Chapter 7, which allows individuals to walk away from their debts.

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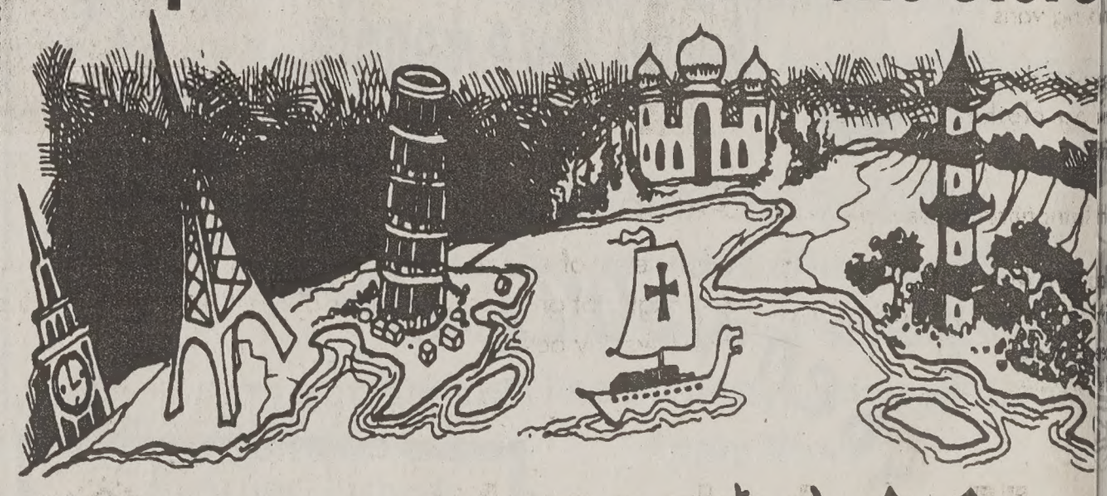
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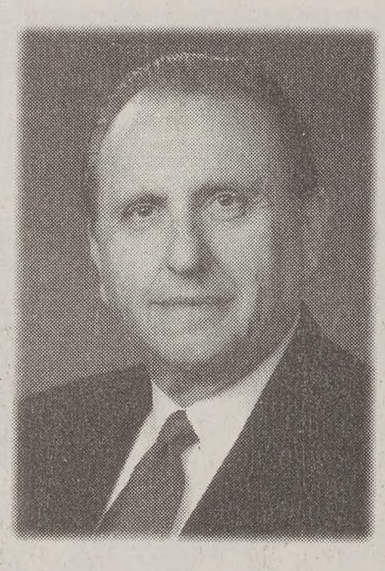

President Thomas S. Monson
First Counselor in the First Presidency

President Thomas S. Monson was set apart as First Counselor to President Gordon B. Hinckley in November 1985. He became an Apostle in 1963 and has served as counselor to three Church presidents. He has served as president of the Canadian Mission and has been a bishop and member of a stake presidency.

President Monson graduated cum laude in business management from the University of Utah. He pursued graduate work there and also served on the College of Business faculty. He later earned his MBA from Brigham Young University. He has received honorary doctorates from BYU and Salt Lake Community College and is a member of Alpha Kappa Psi honorary business fraternity.

Professionally, President Monson has had a distinguished career in publishing and printing. He has been an advertising executive for the Deseret News, general manager of Deseret News Press, president of the Printing Industry of Utah, and a former board member of the Printing Industry of America. He served for many years as board chairman of Deseret News Publishing Company. He currently serves as a trustee of BYU and of the LDS Church Board of Education. He served for many years on the Utah State Board of Regents and in 1981 was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to serve on the President's Task Force for Private Sector Initiatives.

President Monson was honored with the University of Utah Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1966. He is also a recipient of the Boy Scouts of America's Silver Beaver Award, its prestigious Silver Buffalo Award, and international Scouting's highest award, the Bronze Wolf. In 1997 he received the Minuteman Award from the Utah National Guard, as well as BYU's Exemplary Manhood Award. In 1998 he and his wife, the former Frances Beverly Johnson, were each given the Continuum of Caring Humanitarian Award by the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph Villa. The Monsons are parents of three children. They have eight grandchildren.

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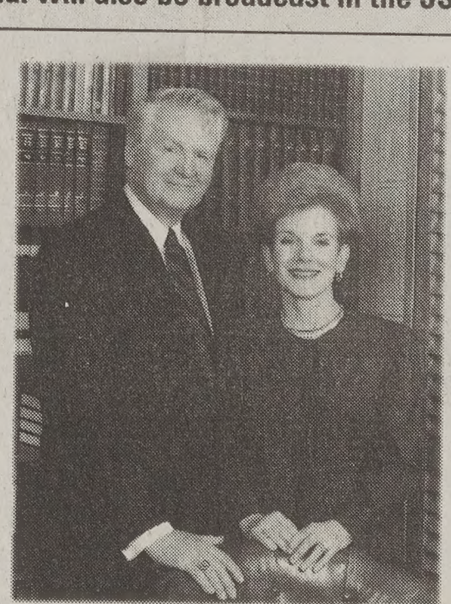

President Merrill J. Bateman
Sister Marilyn S. Bateman

Elder Merrill J. Bateman, BYU's 11th president, is a member of the Church's First Quorum of the Seventy. He is married to Marilyn Scholes Bateman, and they are parents of seven children and grandparents of 25.

Prior to his call as a General Authority, President Bateman headed his own consulting and capital management companies. He had earlier served as dean of the BYU College of Business and School of Management (now the Marriott School of Management) and as an executive with Mars, Inc., in England and the United States.

President Bateman graduated from the University of Utah and earned a doctorate in economics from MIT. He was an Air Force Academy instructor early in his academic career.

President Bateman's administration has been directed toward continuing the emphasis on enhancing the quality of BYU's education while seeking ways to serve more students. In these endeavors he has led a continuing effor to strengthen the religious foundations of the university.

Elder Bateman has served the Church as a missionary, ward bishop, stake high councilor, stake president, and regional representative. He was the Church's Presiding Bishop before his calling to the First Quorum of the Seventy.

Sister Bateman attended BYU, the University of Utah, and LDS Business College. She has served the community as PTA president, as a curriculum committee member of the Provo School District, and as a board member of the Utah County Symphony Guild. She has served the Church as a district missionary, stake Young Women president, and counselor in Young Women and Relief Society stake presidencies, as well as in leadership and teaching positions in ward women's auxiliaries.

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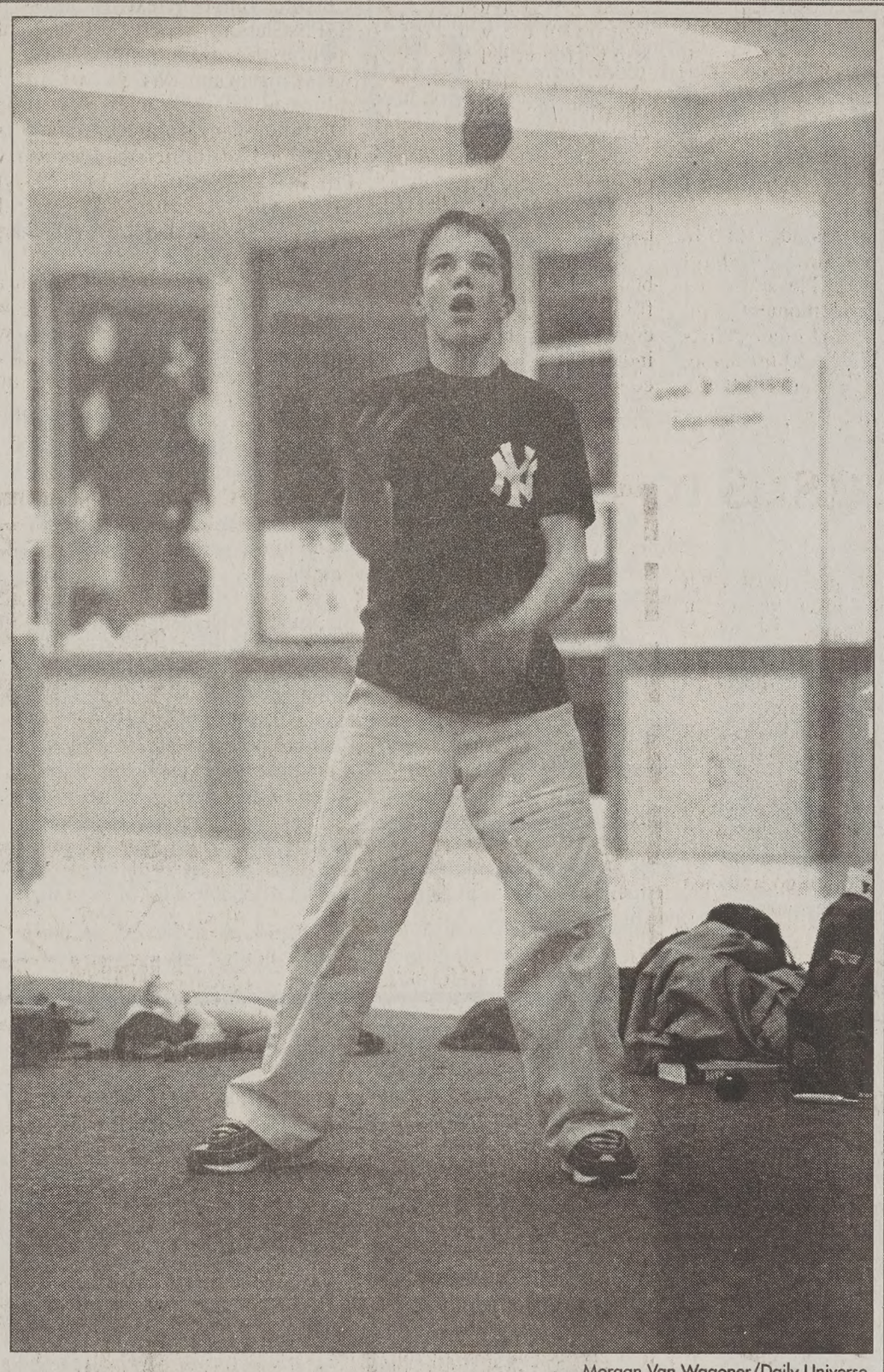

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All in a day's catch

Steve Terry of Orem shows off his juggling talents Thursday night in the WSC. Although not an official member of the club, Terry participated in the Y Juggling club's weekly activity.

Christianity, archeology linked by BYU professor

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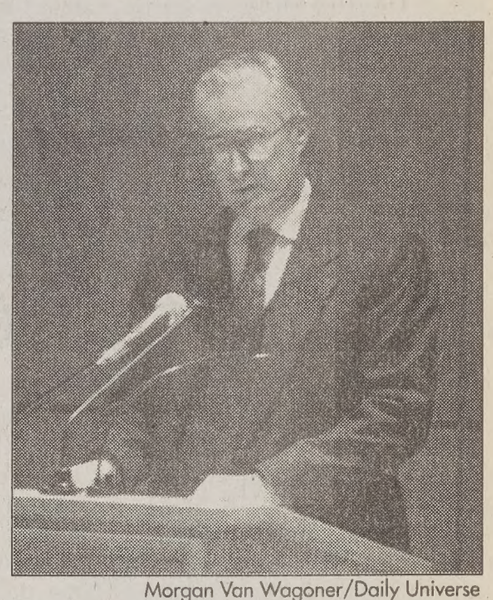

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C. Wildred Griggs speaks to members of the BYU community as part of a KBYU-FM lecture series. Griggs is a leader in the field of the archeology.

Drawing from two decades of experience in the dirt of ancient Egypt, a BYU professor said the puzzle of ancient Christianity is continually being pieced together, dig by dig.

"We are assisting in the process of enhancing and understanding the past," said C. Wilfred Griggs, professor of Ancient Scripture.

Griggs drew from Biblical texts and ancient artifacts to back the belief held by members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints that the New Testament only gives a part of the Christian gospel presented by Jesus Christ 2,000 years ago.

Griggs also said there is evidence that the missionary force of the early Christian church was stronger than many believe.

"The earliest known New Testament papyri which date from the second century come from Upper Egypt and show that Christianity had penetrated into the Nile valley earlier than had been considered," Griggs said.

Twenty years ago, at the beginning of what has become the signature of his work, Griggs discovered what nobody knew before: Christianity took root near Cairo, Egypt as early as the second half of the first century.

While prodding in a cemetery that dates back to the birth of Christ, Griggs noticed signs of post-Apostolic conversions of Egyptian inhabitants. The burial positions, clothing patterns and symbols found in the tombs suggested Christian missionary work.

"The fact that we found this stuff to be Christianity was a surprise to me," Griggs said.

Since his discovery, Griggs has gained the confirmation of scholars from around the world that his Christian hypothesis is correct.

"In the world of Egyptian archeology, he's carved out a respectable niche," said Kent Brown, professor of Ancient Scripture and director of Ancient Studies.

Griggs now spends two months out of the year digging side by side with Egyptian workers and BYU archeologists.

"The stuff doesn't come out of the ground tagged, identified and interpreted," Griggs said.

Griggs has led or worked with archeological teams at sites in Egypt, Italy, Greece, and the Ukraine.

Griggs said he believes that, while the New Testament offers "many writings of surpassing interest and spiritual value," it does not explain doctrines like baptisms for the dead and annointings of the early Saints.

Griggs believes that restricted knowledge is "a well-attested phenomenon" in the New Testament and discoveries in both archeology and ancient scriptures can help develop a more complete framework for Christianity.

However, Griggs believes that research should not go without faith.

"Latter Day-Saints have an obligation to use as a standard two guides: the scriptures and the Holy Spirit," Griggs said.

"Everybody can be great because anybody can serve."

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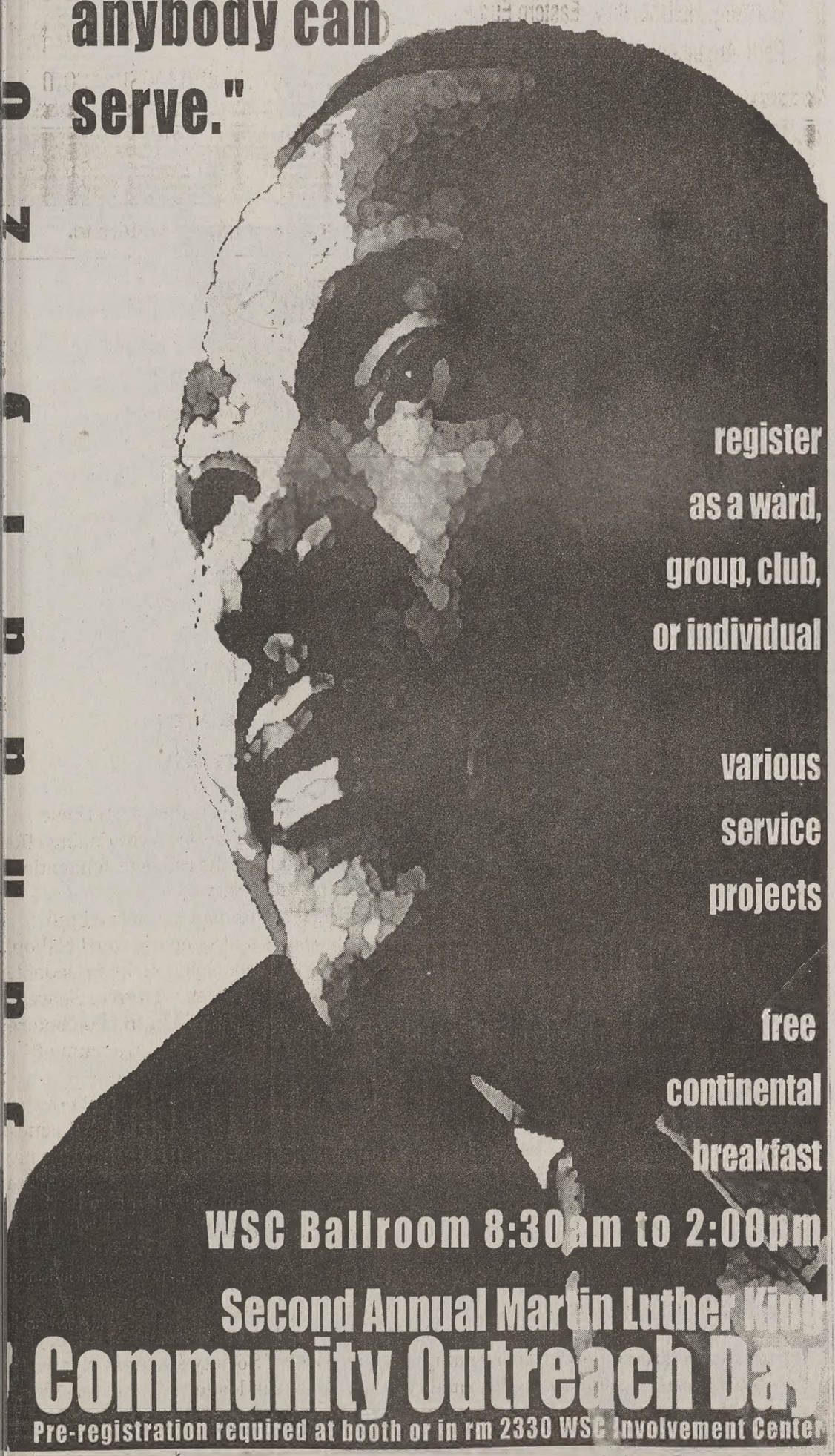

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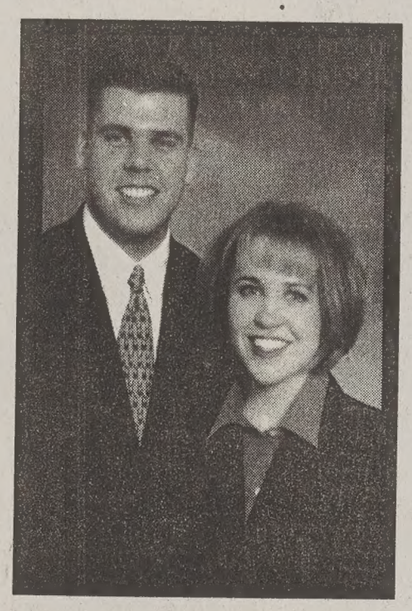

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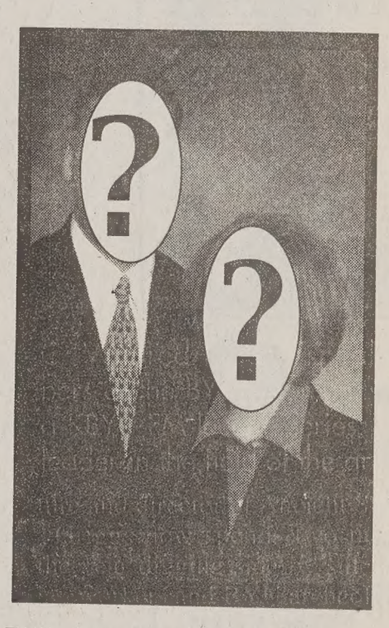

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Report explains escape of Texas 7

Associated Press

> "In retrospect, the events fit together like a puzzle. We just didn't fit them together fast enough to keep the offenders from escaping."
>
> — Gary Johnson, Texas Department of Criminal Justice

AUSTIN, Texas — The seven convicts who escaped from a Texas prison last month systematically overpowered guards and staff more than 2 1/2 hours and eventually drove unchallenged out the rear exit in a prison vehicle, according to a report released Thursday.

The convicts, who escaped Dec. 13 from the Connally Unit near Kenedy, Texas, are charged in the Christmas Eve slaying of an Irving police officer and are still on the loose.

Gary Johnson, director for the institutional division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, said inmates were able to take 11 employees and three prisoners hostage in a maintenance storage room, binding them with duct tape and plastic ties and threatening them with homemade weapons.

The report noted at least two security lapses:

• A prison employee noticed several of the unsupervised inmates in the maintenance area but did not report it as suspicious.

• Although several of the hostages managed to free themselves and pull a silent fire alarm, the prison official who called the maintenance area didn't get an answer but did not send anyone to investigate.

"In retrospect, the events fit together like a puzzle. We just didn't fit them together fast enough to keep the offenders from escaping," Johnson said.

Inmates subdued guards and maintenance employees practically one-by-one, binding them with tape, placing pillow cases over their heads and dragging them into a storage room.

A few inmates disguised themselves as maintenance workers to get unchecked access to the prison's entrance and exit area.

Once there, Johnson said, they managed to overpower yet another guard and forced him at gunpoint to open a gate. They drove away in a maintenance vehicle, which they ditched at a nearby Wal-Mart.

The gang stole firearms and left a note saying "You haven't heard the last of us yet."

Johnson acknowledged that a staffing shortage may have indirectly contributed to the problems. The prison guard union has said the prison was 22 staffers short during the shift of the escape.

Johnson called Warden Tim Keith "a good warden" but acknowledged that he may face disciplinary action.

The prison's "snitch system," where inmates inform on each other, also failed. "One of the things that puzzled us the most was that we did not know anything about it," Johnson said.

American negotiator postpones trip to Mideast

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Yasser Arafat and an Israeli Cabinet minister met early Wednesday to try to defuse Israeli-Palestinian tensions, but a planned mediation effort by President Clinton's Mideast envoy was put on hold.

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat said U.S. envoy Dennis Ross had postponed a trip to the region, scheduled to begin Thursday, for several days. Two U.S. officials in Washington said the visit was on hold, saying Ross' decision on whether to go ahead with it will be based on the progress of continuing security talks between Israel and the Palestinians.

Israeli officials were ready to meet with Ross, and the American negotiator may make the trip later in the week, said the officials.

In the West Bank, one of two territories adjoining Israel proper where the Palestinians want to set up an independent state, confrontations continued. Israeli troops imposed a curfew on downtown Hebron, confining some 30,000 Palestinians to their homes around the clock, after shots were fired at a Jewish settler compound in the area.

Israeli troops also fired shots and tear gas at a school in the West Bank village of Silat al-Daher to break up a stone-throwing clash, the mayor said. Two students were shot in the legs and 30 treated for tear gas inhalation, according to hospital doctors. The army said soldiers responded to a violent disturbance.

The meeting between Arafat and Israeli Transport Minister Amnon Lipkin-Shahak took place early Wednesday at Arafat's headquarters in Gaza City, paving the way for further contacts between the two sides.

Lipkin-Shahak said his 90-minute discussion with Arafat centered on finding ways to reduce friction. Israel has complained that the Palestinians are not doing enough to stop shooting attacks on Israelis and has demanded that the Palestinians resume coordination with Israel on preventing terror attacks by Islamic militants.

The Palestinians have said they will not resume such coordination — one of the cornerstones of earlier interim peace accords — unless Israel lifts its sweeping travel restrictions that have cut the Gaza Strip into three parts and barred Palestinians in the West Bank from leaving their towns and villages.

Even if violence is reduced, it remains unclear whether peace talks will resume. Clinton's term ends Jan. 20, and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak is trailing far behind hawkish challenger Ariel Sharon in polls ahead of a Feb. 6 election — a vote whose only one real issue is Barak's readiness to make painful compromises for peace with the Palestinians.

Under Clinton's peace proposals, the Palestinians would establish a state in all of Gaza, 95 percent of the West Bank and Arab neighborhoods of Jerusalem. They would be given control over a contested Jerusalem shrine also revered by Jews, but in exchange would have to drop a demand that nearly 4 million Palestinian refugees and their descendants be given the right to return to former homes in Israel.

Turner sells suffering WCW; new owners promise change

Associated Press

> "Wrestling fans can rest assured that we will give the WCW the adrenaline shot it needs to once again become the most exciting brand of wrestling in the world."
>
> — Eric Bischoff, president of WCW

ATLANTA — Turner Broadcasting Systems sold its World Championship Wrestling operation for an undisclosed amount Thursday to the founders of the Classic Sports Network, now ESPN Classic.

Once the most popular TV wrestling brand, WCW lost an estimated $80 million last year. It has taken a beating from rival World Wrestling Federation as pay-per-view revenues and TV ratings slipped.

The losses have been too much for parent company Time Warner Inc., which is getting in shape for its planned merger with America Online Inc. A last-ditch effort last March to revive the dying WCW by bringing back its former head Eric Bischoff failed.

Bischoff promised a total revamp, signing on former WWF writer Vince Russo, who helped make the Connecticut-based WWF a ratings winner with lurid story lines, sex appeal and profanity.

Age was widely perceived as the toughest challenge facing the WCW — dubbed "wheelchair wrestling" by many wags. Two of its biggest stars — balding Hulk Hogan and the "Nature Boy," Ric Flair — are about 50 in an industry whose average fan is under 30.

"They relied on old talent that had big, big names from the '80s and they got a lot of mileage out of a lot of people a lot of us in the industry thought were too old to draw. And they drew with them," Dave Meltzer, publisher of Wrestling Observer, said last year. "But eventually the public got tired of it."

Bradley J. Siegel, president and general entertainment network for TBS Inc., said Turner cable stations likely will continue airing WCW matches but leave programming and marketing to New York-based Fusient Media Ventures, run by Classic Sports Network founders Brian Bedol and Stephen Greenberg.

"Wrestling fans can rest assured that we will give the WCW the adrenaline shot it needs to once again become the most exciting brand of wrestling in the world," said Bischoff, who will remain president of WCW.

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The piano man

"Piano Pop" debuts at Breinholt's concert

By Jessica Kehr
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Associate Lifestyles Editor

> "I'm one of his (Breinholt's) biggest fans. This is a great springboard into what my career turns into."
>
> — Jared Johnson
> BYU pianist

The beginning of the musical parade tonight will start with a BYU pianist playing his original music.

Jared Johnson will open for Peter Breinholt and Big Parade tonight at 7:30 in the Wilkinson Student Center Ballroom.

Johnson, 22, is a communications major from Houston. He will open for Breinholt by playing a 20-minute set.

After the concert, Johnson will release his first CD, titled "Piano Pop."

Johnson describes his music as piano pop because, "it won't put you to sleep on a Sunday afternoon or anything."

Breinholt chooses acts by how appropriately the music of another performer will contribute to his concert.

"I think he saw this as appropriate because it's a BYU concert, and here I am a student," Johnson said.

Johnson said he has been trying to open for Breinholt for months.

"I'm one of his biggest fans," he said. "This is a great springboard into what my career turns into."

Sarah Jensen, executive director of campus activities for BYUSA said, "He's eally diverse in what he can play. He's really talented."

Brienholt's concerts always attract a large audience.

"We expect it to sell out," said Amie Adams, executive director of campus activities for BYUSA.

Johnson started playing at the age of 5 with his mother as his piano teacher After being inspired by John Schmidt's piano pieces while at EFY, Johnson went on to write a few songs and play for friends.

Johnson's wife, Stephanie, is supportive of his chance to play with Breinholt.

"It's a dream come true for him," she said. "It's something that he has wanted to do his whole life, and he is really excited about it."

Johnson's first performance of his original work was at a ward prayer during his freshman year, he said.

He said he really began to write songs on preparation days while serving in the Denver, Colorado South Mission.

The tune of the song "Snow Angels" came to him in between appointments in the mission field.

"I describe it as piano pop," said Stephanie, "it's his own genre. I love listening to it. It's really relaxing and upbeat and it has a lot of jazz in it."

Another song, "Reunion," was written after seeing friends from before his mission.

"It's a really upbeat song," he said.

His piano solos have caught on in popularity and he has been invited to play at a few different venues, said Johnson.

He has performed at BYUSA's Live at the Terrace, and at the BYU Homecoming Dance at the Chillon Reception Center last October.

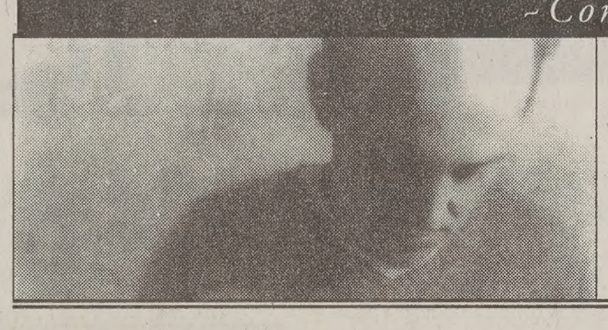
After consultation with David Tolk, another LDS piano soloist, Johnson decided to form his own record company, along with a Web site, Johnson said.

The Johnsons designed www.jaredjohnson.com, to make his CD available.

Photo courtesy of Jared Johnson

Jared Johnson, 22, from Houston, Texas will be the opening act for Peter Breinholt tonight in the Wilkinson Student Center. Johnson will release his first CD, "Piano Pop," after the concert.

~ Concert ~



Peter Breinholt and Big Parade with Jared Johnson opening
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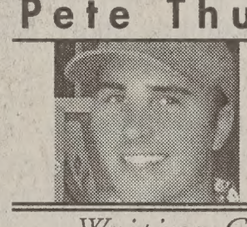
New words to an old tune sum up entertaining year

Pete Thunell



Writing Coach

It's good to be back and I trust everyone had a good vacation. I, for one, "decked the halls" and "donned my gay apparel" (boot-fit jeans and a ribbed turtleneck from the Gap).

I even attempted to "troll the ancient yuletide carol" until I realized that the only concept of "troll" I had was someone who lives in caves and guards bridges from billy goats (and frankly I'm having a hard time understanding what that has to do with any yuletide carols I know). In the end, I think I "ogre'd the ancient yuletide carols" more than anything.

As is customary in most newspapers and magazines, last week there were a lot of "Year in Review" articles to read. As I read a lot of these, I got to thinking just how sick I got of most of these stories this past year.

In my brain, I started to refer to 2000 as the year the news wouldn't die. Somehow from this thought sprang this song that's my very own 2000 review. (Yes, yes, I realize the thought of protesting overexposed news items by referencing them yet again is rife with irony. Stop being so jaded and humor me here.)

It's sung to the tune of "American Pie" (like I could butcher it any more than Madonna already did) mainly because I couldn't get it to work to "Copacabana" or "Paul Revere."

I must warn everyone, though, that at many spots, I liberally crammed way more syllables than the original song calls for. Sing along at your own risk. Otherwise, here it is:

Just about a year ago
I can still remember
How I sat and read the paper with a smile

With Y2K then in the past
And they re-signed, the whole "Friends" cast
We could finally get a variety of new news for awhile

But January made me gag
With news of Elian in every mag
TV was saved by Regis?
Hyperbole I found egregious

So if you ask me if I cried
For Darva Conger, the millionaire bride
I'd say "That hussy got what she fried"
'Cause 2000's when the news wouldn't die

(Refrain)
I started thinking, bye, bye all you 2000 guys
Overexposure was top order, as the newsrooms did vie
Hearin' 'bout the same things made me ask myself why
Wouldn't a lot of these stories ever die?
Why wouldn't these stories ever die?

Did you think Captain Kirk was boss?
Well guess what, Priceline took a loss
Along with every other tech stock
Que Sopresa! Richard's naked again
Will someone tell him and his Survivor friends
Their 15 minutes of fame are fading fast

The critics fawned for Eminem
Seems hate and misogyny sound like music to them
Other music in the news
N*SYNC slapped the Boys Black and Blue

Napster got real big, but took a beatin'
From Metallica's Lars (who looks like Michael Keaton)
Funny, no poor singers said MP3s were cheatin'
The day the news wouldn't die

(Refrain)

The First Lady carpetbagger won her race
And the fight club slapped each other in the face
But that's not the worst 2000 tale
Zorro gal wed Douglas whose twice her age
And Al and Tipper made out on stage
Seems he was being an alpha male

And while the list of Al's lies was getting full
George mispronounced "subliminal"
The nation rolled their eyes
Did we have to choose between THESE guys?

As the N.Y. Times chased Lee, Wen Ho
The Fox chased the giants out of Mexico
Yugoslavia even booted strong man Slobo
The year the news wouldn't die

(Refrain)

Helter Skelter, Julie's in a welter
Livin' with men in a "Real World" shelter
Thought the honor code just said no sex

Gas prices everywhere, in our wallets put dents
(Strangely, bean burritos held steady at 79 cents)
A ticked Bobby Knight broke zero tolerance

Harry Potter won with "Goblet of Fire"
Book sales exploded faster than a Firestone tire
The man who has the most
Saw his monopoly cut like a roast

The Olympics turned into quite a snore
In delayed coverage, we already knew the score
Heaven, please make the Yankees (and Lakers) not win anymore
The year the news wouldn't die

(Refrain)

Oh, and there we were all feeling mad
Our election hanging by a dimpled chad
Florida too close to call
But Tom, Dan and Peter jumped the gun
Told us that Gore, then Bush had won
For Bush's nephew told them so
As we watched with fists of rage
Florida lawyers dancing on parade
No angel born in heck
Could make sense of this legal train wreck
The Supreme Court said Bush had the amount
As Al Gore asked for a tenth recount
(Shoot us now) The next campaign has begun to mount
The year the news wouldn't die

(Refrain)

I met a guy who had no clue
I'd say "chad," he'd say "who?"
Maybe ignorance really is bliss
The one thing I hoped would stay true
Paid A-Rod millions, 252
Even if every swing is a miss

Brad Pitt and Rachel finally wed
My sister cried and shaved her head
Dennis Miller plain confused us
Talking football like he was Josephus

2001 will be the same, you'll see
Repetitious news from the powers that be
My resolution is to watch less TV
Too much news has made my brain fry

So bye, bye all you 2000 guys
Overexposure was top order, as the newsrooms did vie
Hearin' 'bout the same things made me ask myself why
Wouldn't a lot of these stories ever die?
Why wouldn't these stories ever die?

Stations tempt viewers with new reality shows

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The debut of Fox's "Temptation Island" proved enticing for viewers, with 16 million tuning in to see sexy singles test the fidelity of four couples.

According to preliminary ratings Thursday, the reality series drew a bigger audience Wednesday than the debut of CBS' "Survivor." That show premiered with 15.5 million viewers last May.

"Temptation Island," which critics and religious leaders said had a destructive premise, also outdrew the Tuesday premiere of ABC's "The Mole."

The ABC reality series, which takes over the Tuesday slot of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" for nine weeks, failed to match the Regis Philbin quiz show in total viewership but attracted a younger audience. It was 26 percent smaller than Philbin's average audience.

ABC pronounced itself satisfied with the 13.7 million viewers who watched "The Mole," in which contestants solve challenges and ferret out the saboteur in their midst for a prize of up to $1 million.

"The Mole" increased viewership among the prized demographic of adults 18 to 34 for the 8 p.m. EST Tuesday time slot by more than 50 percent compared to the season average, according to ABC numbers.

Fox also drew a young audience for "Temptation Island." It was the network's highest-rated Wednesday premiere ever among young adults, besting competitors including NBC's "The West Wing" in that demographic, the network said.

Ratings aside, "Temptation Island" has caused headaches for Fox. A background check failed to reveal that one of the couples had a child together, a violation of Fox's rules for the show. They were removed from the island off Belize midway during filming.

That echoed the embarrassment Fox suffered when it turned out that groom Rick Rockwell of "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire?" had been the subject of a restraining order request by a fiancee.

"Temptation Island," which has been hyped with sexy promos, also found itself undermined by an Internet site report: WorldNetDaily, quoting an anonymous source, said none of the couples gave in to temptation.

"Survivor," which kept the secret of Richard Hatch's victory until the end, had a final audience of 51 million viewers in August.

FLASHBACK

Entertainment highlights during the week of Jan. 11-

• In 1954, Marilyn Monroe married Joe DiMaggio in San Francisco. They split after nine months.

• In 1967, the Rolling Stones appeared on "The Ed Sullivan Show" to sing "Let's Spend The Night Together." To satisfy censors, Mick Jagger sang "Let's spend some time together."

• In 1975, "Baretta" premiered on ABC.

• In 1980, Paul McCartney was jailed in Tokyo after customs agents found marijuana in his luggage. Exactly four years later, he was arrested for marijuana possession in Barbados.

• In 1982, singer Ozzy Osbourne bit the head off a live bat during a concert in Des Moines, Iowa. He claimed he thought it was a toy an audience member had thrown to him.

• Also in 1982, lead singer Harry Wayne Casey of KC and the Sunshine Band was seriously injured in a car accident in Florida. He spent most of the year recovering.

• In 1993, Fleetwood Mac reunited for the Inaugu Gala for President-elect Clinton.

• In 1996, Jamaican authorities opened fire on Jim Buffett's seaplane, mistaking it for a drug traffick plane. U2 singer Bono was with Buffett, but neither was hurt.

• Also in 1996, talk show host Phil Donah announced he was retiring at the end of the seas after 29 years on the air.

• Also in 1996, Lisa Marie Presley filed for divo from Michael Jackson.

• In 1999, actor Robert Guillaume suffered a m stroke on the set of the TV show "Sports Night." stroke later was written into the show.

• In 2000, talk show host David Letterman had em gency heart surgery.

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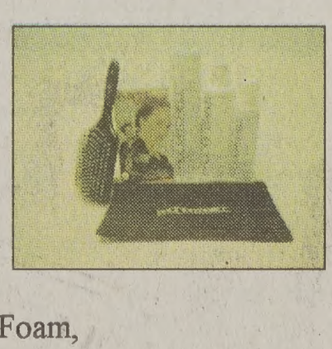

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MWC Men's Basketball Preview

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5 in MWC

When BYU's Travis Hansen (center, on floor) and Trent Whiting became eligible in December, Matt Montague (left) saw his point guard role shrink while Eric Nielsen (far right) kept his starting forward spot. The deeper Cougars open MWC play this Saturday.

Thrills and Spills

Rough-and-tumble league pits clash of contenders

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The Mountain West Conference resembles something out of a daytime soap.

Call it "As the Coaches Turn."

Rick Pitino's in, Rick Majerus is out. Fran Fraschilla is still screaming. And Steve Fisher — can this be for real? — is actually winning.

That's just the coaches.

Throw in the fact that all but Air Force have a winning pre-conference record and that even San Diego State has 10 victories, and the MWC looks like a powder keg ready to blow.

While Pitino fruitlessly tries to quash reports he's been offered the job at scandal-scathed UNLV, Majerus left the Utes on Tuesday to be with his ailing mother in Milwaukee. Meanwhile, hoarse-artist Fraschilla has revived New Mexico from a sub-par season last year, guiding the Lobos to an 11-2 mark behind Eric Chatfield's 19.2 points a game and making them the odds-on favorite for the league title.

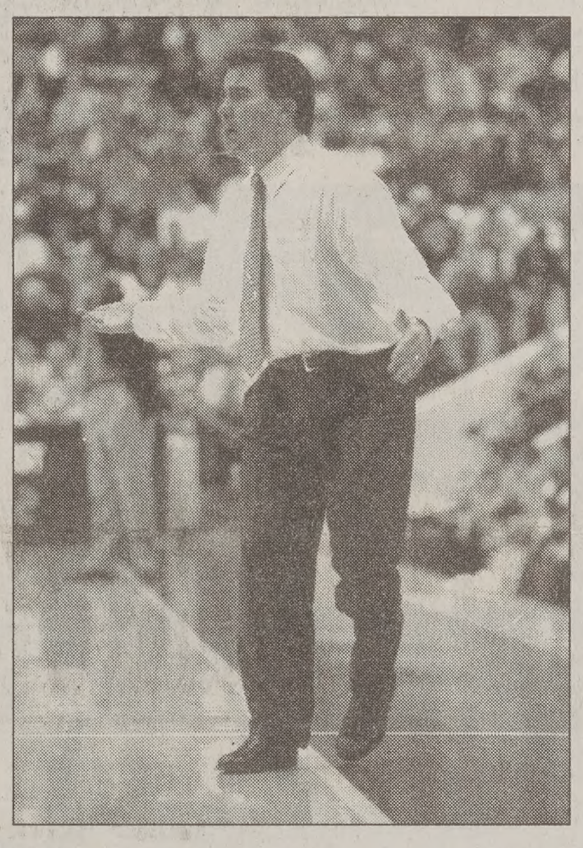
Well, that is, if you don't consider Wyoming. Or Utah. Or maybe BYU. In fact, pretty much anyone but UNLV — out of the conference tourney because of NCAA recruiting violations — has a fair shot at the title and subsequent NCAA Tournament bid.

Even San Diego State, which didn't win a conference game last year, has registered 10 — count 'em, 10 — victories under Fisher's tutelage.

What's more, Air Force, perennially short on talent and height, should improve on last season's 4-10 league mark.

If the teams don't beat each other up in conference play first, the NCAA Tournament could take as many as three teams.

And so it is, as the league turns.



New Mexico coach Fran Fraschilla has turned the Lobos into odds-on favorites for a league title.

File photos

Cougs host surprise SDSU

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Before the season, it looked like a gimme.

That's what all Mountain West Conference folk thought about San Diego State, and for good reason. A 9-45 record over the last two seasons does not exactly intimidate the opposition.

And, no, going 0-14 in conference last year doesn't help matters either.

But when the Aztecs come into town Saturday, don't look for the Cougars to be taking it easy.

San Diego State has not only improved but has posted an impressive 10-4 record, including victories over Arizona State and Oklahoma State.

The Aztecs 64-62 victory over Arizona State should be especially frightening for the Cougars. Arizona State humbled the Cougars 80-52 back in early December.

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BYU COUGARS

- **Last year:** 22-11 overall, 7-7 in the MWC, NIT third round
- **Up to now:** 11-4, won four in a row
- **Watch for...:** Mekeli Wesley 16 ppg, 5.5 rpg; Terrell Lyday 15 ppg, 1.45 apg; Trent Whiting 15 ppg, 2 apg
- **Outlook:** Wesley is playing well, but Lyday needs to break out of an early-season slump. If the Cougars want to contend, their offense needs to flow better with newcomers Whiting and Nate Knight.
- **Our pick:** No. 2 in the MWC, first NCAA tournament appearance since 1995

UNLV RUNNIN' REBELS

- **Last year:** 23-8 overall, 10-4 in the MWC, NCAA first round
- **Up to now:** 10-5 overall, 1-0 in the MWC, won seven in a row
- **Watch for...:** Kašpars Kambala 18.8 ppg, 10.1 rpg; Trevor Diggs 13.9 ppg, 3.07 apg; Dalron Johnson 12.1 ppg, 7.7 rpg
- **Outlook:** With the NCAA sanctions and Pitino talks grabbing the headlines and distracting the team, expect the Rebels to struggle.
- **Our pick:** No. 3 in MWC

UTAH UTES

- **Last year:** 23-9 overall, 10-4 in the MWC, NCAA second round
- **Up to now:** 9-6 overall, 1-0 in the MWC, won five of last seven
- **Watch for...:** Kevin Bradley 10.5 ppg, 2.53 apg; Phil Cullen 10.4 ppg, 4.9 rpg; Nate Althoff 9.1 ppg
- **Outlook:** Majerus is out for the season and they are returning only one starter. But the Utes are always tough in conference. Utah should stumble late in the season.
- **Our pick:** No. 4 in MWC

WYOMING COWBOYS

- **Last year:** 19-12 overall, 8-6 in the MWC
- **Up to now:** 9-4 overall, 0-1 in the MWC, lost three of last five
- **Watch for...:** Marcus Bailey 17 ppg, 4.5 rpg; Josh Davis 12.9 ppg, 10.2 rpg; Uche Nsonwu-Amadi 10.8 ppg, 8.2 rpg
- **Outlook:** The Nigerian front-court of Nsonwu-Amadi and his cousin Ugo Udezue have been a disappointment, especially with Udezue turning games like he did against Utah (no points, one rebound)
- **Our pick:** No. 6 in MWC

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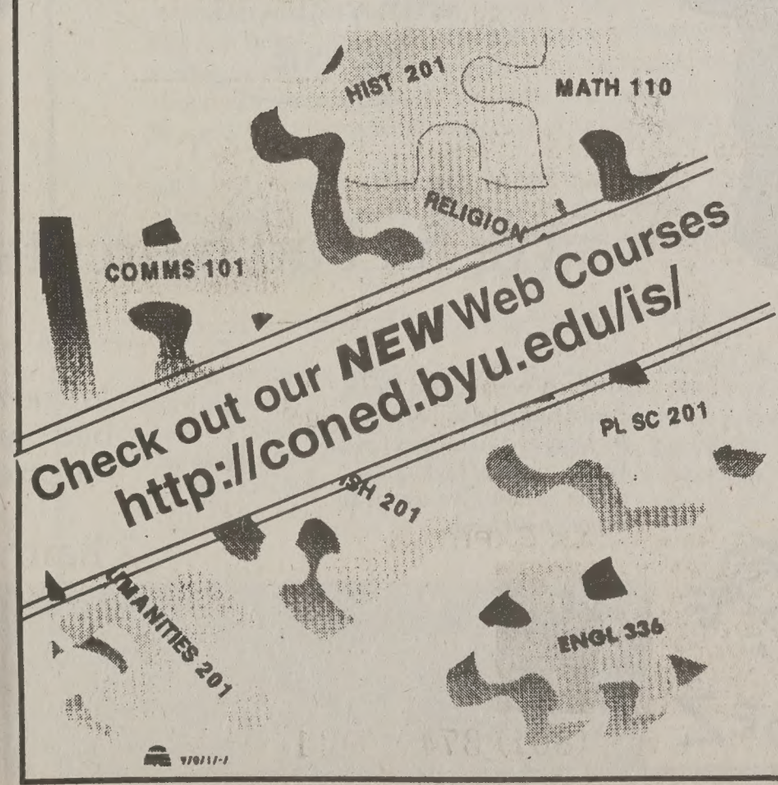

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Tennis tournament takes on unique format

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To many people tennis is only a sport for people with British accents wearing v-neck sweaters. For other sport enthusiasts, tennis is little more than cute girls in short skirts and a battle of grunts.

The BYU men's and women's tennis teams are providing fans with a new perspective on the game.

Tonight and Saturday, the men's and women's teams will work together to win the World Team Tennis Regionals.

In the only team event of the season, BYU tennis players will battle against Oklahoma University, Weber State and Utah State.

"Team tennis events are intense and exciting," said BYU men's head coach Jim Osborne.

Osborne said the match consists of men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles, and mixed doubles. Different from traditional tennis, only one set is played, and every game counts.

Assistant coach Brad Pearce played on the 1995 World Team Tennis championship team, the New Jersey Stars, with fellow teammate Martina Navritolova.

"Every game counts," Pearce said, "you have to go full steam from the first point."

Pearce said players take time to feel out the opponent in traditional play. In team play, players don't have time to relax.

"Players must stay focused," Pearce said, "there is intense pressure in every single game."

Osborne said the atmosphere is lively and loud. Spectators are encouraged to cheer, whistle, yell and intimidate, putting aside traditional tennis etiquette and protocol.

Pearce said in one of the team tennis matches he played in, he missed the opening serve and the unruly spectators started chanting "Choke! Choke!" while making gagging noises.

Junior Gert Vilms and sophomore Carlos Lozano will defend the courts for the men along with freshman Erik Nyman who will be joining the team today.

Senior Jodi Richardson, junior Brooke Ferney, and sophomore Lu Oswald will represent the women.

The winner of the regional qualifier will play with 15 other universities for the championship at Stanford University this October.

Osborne hopes the competition will be a positive influence on local tennis fans.

"The play style is fast and geared for the fans," Osborne said. "We have brought in extra seating and will have games and door prizes between sets."

Oklahoma faces Weber State at 4 p.m. and the Cougars play across the net from Utah State tonight at 7 in the indoor courts south of the Smith Fieldhouse.

The third place match is Saturday at 11 a.m. and the championship match is at 2 p.m. Admission is free.

World Team Tennis

Regional Qualifier: Oklahoma, Utah State, Weber State, BYU

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Two Cougar diver bring home honor

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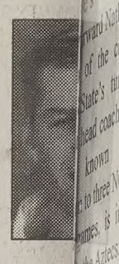

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Two BYU athletes were awarded Mountain West Conference Diver of the Week honors.

Justin Wilcock, a sophomore from Smithfield, Cache county, swept the 1-meter and 3-meter events at an away meet against Washington, Jan. 6, with scores of 218.85 and 204.55 respectively. His wins contributed to the Cougar victory and his first MWC award of the season — Male Diver of the Week.

Kelli Einfeldt, a sophomore from Salt Lake City, was awarded her third MWC honor this season as Fema of the Week. She curren the Mountain West Con top spot on the 3-met with a score of 465.70. swept the 1-meter and events against Washing scores of 166.65 and respectively, leading her win over Washington, 1

Good unhappy with UN

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Max Good thought he would have at least until the end of the season to make his mark as UNLV's basketball coach. He also thought Rick Pitino wouldn't try to take a job that was already filled.

Sitting in his UNLV office Thursday, Good was having some different thoughts - mainly that he was wrong on both counts.

UNLV officials remained strangely silent with their coach over his future, while Pitino's attempt to smooth things over with a phone call did little to make Good feel any better about his growing sense of betrayal.

"Some spirit and faith violated here," Good sa little bit frustrating in told this would be deci end of the year."

Good, whose teams seven straight games, g Thursday to read front lines that Pitino was Las Vegas to discuss place with UNLV offic

It didn't help that Pit called Good a day earli wasn't aware that th already taken.

"He acted like he d the job was filled," "I've got to feel he kn it was open or not. splitting hairs."

SuperSonics sold to coffee chain for $200 million

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Barry Ackerley called it a "bittersweet" day as he announced the sale of the Seattle SuperSonics to an investment group headed by the founder of Starbucks coffee chain.

The Ackerley Group is selling the Sonics for $200 million to Howard Schultz and four others. The deal also includes the WNBA's Seattle Storm.

The sale is expected to be final by the end of the first quarter of this year. In addition to Schultz, the buyout group includes team president and general manager Wally Walker. Schultz said the other investors will not be identified until after the NBA Board of Governors approves the sale.

The board's next meeting is scheduled for March 29-30. Forbes magazine listed the Sonics' value at $187 million in a recent ranking of NBA franchises.

It's the first sale of an NBA franchise since Mark Cuban bought the Dallas Mavericks last year for $280 million.

"For me and my family this is a dream come true," Schultz, a lifelong basketball fan, told a standing-room-only news conference Thursday afternoon.

"I never thought something like this would happen to someone like me. I was born on the other side of the tracks, but only in America. I'm really excited."

Schultz has had season tickets since he moved to the city in 1982, and plays basketball every Sunday.

The Ackerley Group, which bought the Sonics for $22 million in 1983, will use proceeds from the sale to pay down debt, the company announced after the close of the stock markets. The Ackerley Group is a holding company that includes radio and television stations and billboard advertising.

"Not only does this allow us to unlock the value of this asset, which has appreciated significantly during our ownership, but it also allows us to reinvest the proceeds from the sale in our higher margin media segments," Ackerley said in a news release.

"We have truly enjoyed our tenure as the owners of the Sonics, however this particular transaction is the right thing for our shareholders. The added benefit is that the team will remain in Seattle."

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because we had so many games," Cleveland said. "This has been a good week for us. We've been able to spend a week practicing."

The 11-4 Cougars need the victory at home Saturday if they hope to better their sixth place finish in conference a year ago.

More importantly, conference records play a big role in determining the 64-team field for the NCAA tournament. If BYU wants to make its first visit to the tournament since 1995, winning conference games at home is a must.

"Our goal is to win conference and now its time to get serious," said guard Terrell Lyday. "Losing a game could end that.

"It's time to start earning your scholarship."

Saturday's game starts at 4 p.m. in the Marriott Center.

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Vermeil, Chiefs finalize contract

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Carl Peterson's fondest wish was to have his old buddy coach the Kansas City Chiefs.

Now, with one of the NFL's richest coaching contracts, Peterson finally has his man — Dick Vermeil.

"This is, in my opinion, the premier head football coach in the National Football League," Peterson, the Chiefs' president and general manager, said shortly after commissioner Paul Tagliabue decided what compensation was due Vermeil's old team, the St. Louis Rams. "He's not only a consummate football coach, but he's a great person."

Vermeil, whose friendship with Peterson goes back 25 years to their days as assistant coaches at UCLA, will not come cheap. His contract will call for him to be paid about $10 million over three years.

The Chiefs scheduled a news conference for noon Friday. The contract would be among the biggest for an NFL coach. Mike Holmgren of Seattle makes $4 million a year, while Minnesota's Dennis Green makes $3 million.

Both have formal front-office responsibilities in addition to on-the-field coaching. Peterson will remain general manager of the Chiefs. In addition, the Chiefs will give the Rams, the team Vermeil coached to the 2000 Super Bowl title, their second-round draft pick this year and a third-rounder in 2002. That third-round pick will come courtesy of the Washington Redskins, who gave the Chiefs the pick in exchange for the rights to Marty Schottenheimer.

Vermeil also will repay the $500,000 the Rams paid him last year on a consultant contract he signed after unexpectedly resigning after the Super Bowl victory over Tennessee.

Chiefs fans, in the meantime, haven't been this excited since 1993, when Peterson swapped with San Francisco to bring in Joe Montana for the final two seasons of his Hall of Fame career.

"I hope they're that excited a year from now," Vermeil said. "In this league, nobody gets to rest on their laurels."

Lynn Stiles, the Chiefs' director of football operations, also is a longtime Vermeil friend and accompanied Peterson to Philadelphia last week to persuade Vermeil to come out of retirement a second time.

Stiles, Peterson and Vermeil were on the UCLA staff together and served in Philadelphia in the Eagles' drive to the 1980 Super Bowl. Before Schottenheimer took over the team in 1989 and led the Chiefs to seven playoff appearances in 10 seasons, Peterson tried unsuccessfully to lure Vermeil out of retirement.

The Chiefs and Vermeil never completely parted ways; Vermeil often performed color commentary on Chiefs preseason broadcasts during the 1990s.

"From UCLA to the Eagles and now back in Kansas City," Vermeil said. "I'll be working with people I admire and respect. That was one of the major reasons for taking the job."

Vermeil might not be the only member of the Rams' Super Bowl staff working in Kansas City. He has said he'll also talk to Al Saunders as offensive coordinator as well as former defensive line coach Carl Hairston.

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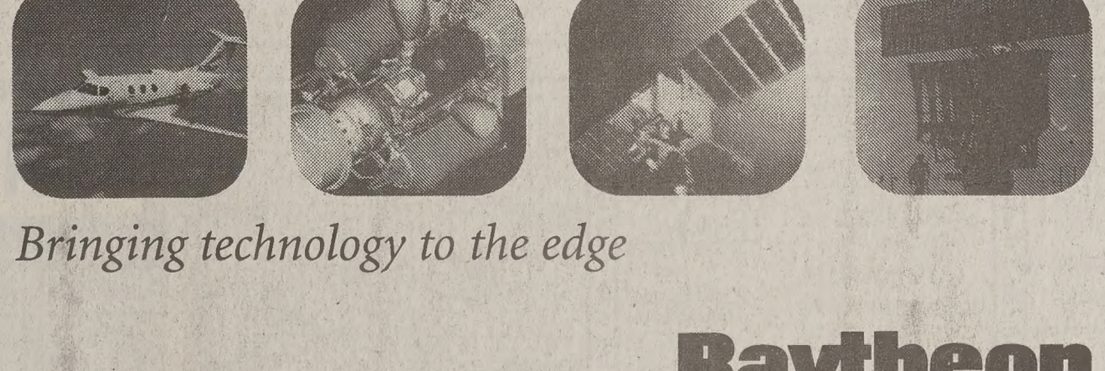

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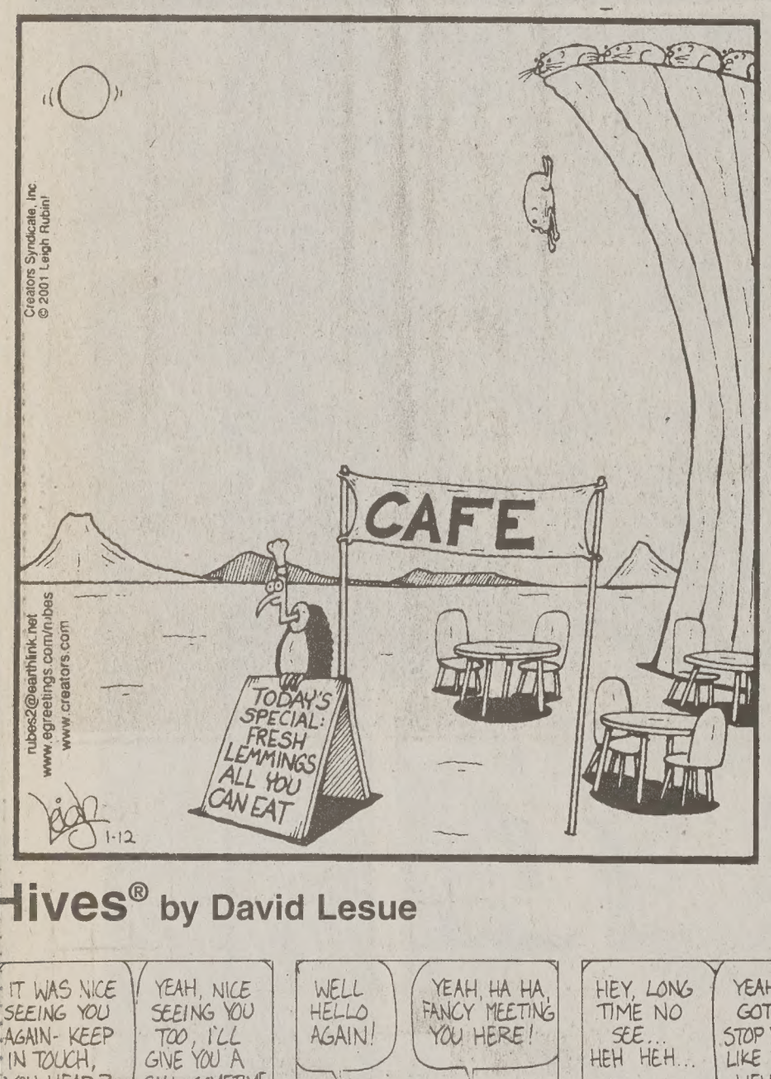

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Toddlers benefit from Head Start

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two-year-olds enrolled in Early Head Start were better able to solve problems, pay attention and use language and less likely to cause trouble than other poor children, according to the program's first formal evaluation.

Early Head Start, created in 1995 to serve at-risk infants and toddlers, also helped their parents, who were more likely to read and talk to their children and less likely to spank them.

The differences between families in the program and other families were not dramatic, but researchers were encouraged because they were found across a host of measures, suggesting the program may have a lasting impact.

"The fact that they're so widespread gives me a lot of confidence it's making a systemic difference," said John Love of Mathematica Policy Research, one of the lead researchers. "As long as they continue, these children should definitely do better later on."

The program has two different formats. Children either are sent to high-quality child care centers, or experts in child development make weekly visits to families at home.

The centers offer extra services like health care and nutrition counseling, and workers supplement them with at least two home visits a year. For the stay-at-home families, parents and their children also meet with other participants at least twice a month for classes and play time.

During the home visits, a social worker might talk to a mother about problems she is having with her child, about discipline and basic health issues. The worker might play with a baby, demonstrating for how the mother she can encourage development.

For instance, a mother might not realize that her 9-month-old can start looking under a cloth for a hidden object, explained Jeanne Brooks-Gunn of Columbia University, another lead researcher. That may sound simple, she said, but learning that the object remains under the cloth even though the baby cannot see it is one of the ways babies' brains develop.

"You really show the moms things that their kids can do at that age, and how they can play with them," Brooks-Gunn said.

In the child care centers, meanwhile, the workers are talking and playing with children all day long. "Kids aren't wandering aimlessly around the center," Brooks-Gunn said. "They're not sitting there watching TV."

Children typically enter Early Head Start at birth and can remain until age 3. It was created as a warm up for the 35-year-old Head Start preschool program, reasoning that children will be better prepared for preschool - and therefore better prepared for school - if they get more attention in their earliest years, a critical time for brain development.

While Head Start enjoys bipartisan support, critics have argued that there is very little data about its effectiveness. The first national evaluation of Head Start is just now getting under way, so from an academic standpoint, Early Head Start is ahead of its predecessor.

The program's supporters seized on Thursday's study to suggest that the $558 million program, which serves just a fraction of eligible kids, needs more federal money.

"This research confirmed what parents know instinctively," Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said in a statement.

"Infants and toddlers need extensive individual attention to develop the kind of curiosity, trust, self-confidence and self-control they need to do well in school and in all their future years."

Prisons chief fired

Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Gov. Jim Hodges angrily fired South Carolina's prisons chief Thursday after two guards were charged with letting inmates have sex at the governor's residence.

The charges deepened a prison sex scandal that began last summer when child killer Susan Smith told investigators she had sex with two guards. A total of 13 guards and other prison employees have been charged since the investigation began.

"I am mad as hell, for the sanctity of my home has been violated," Hodges said in firing William "Doug" Catoe and appointing former FBI agent Dodge Frederick to head the Corrections Department.

Hodges, who reappointed Catoe in 1999, had stood by the prisons director even as the state investigation into sexual favors and drugs behind bars widened. But reports that inmates who work in and around the Governor's Mansion and the governor's temporary residence had sex while he was not home were "the straw that broke the camel's back," Hodges said.

Cause of post-flight blood clots unknown

Associated Press

LONDON — Amid growing concern over whether cramped airline seating on long-haul flights causes deadly blood clots in the legs, medical experts say the real culprit is passengers sitting still for too long.

Reports of passengers dying from clots right after a long flight have mounted in recent months, prompting Australia's two biggest airlines to announce plans this week to print warnings on tickets. An Australian law firm has prepared compensation claims against six airlines for about 1,000 people who claim to have suffered deep vein thrombosis while on flights.

The problem has misleadingly been dubbed "economy class syndrome" because some people thought it was linked to the cramped seating in coach class. But fatal clots have also occurred in passengers in business and first classes, and in people who sit for long periods in buses, cars, theater seats and at desks.

Experts say nobody knows what the true incidence of deep vein clots on airplanes is or how long people have to stay still to get them.

Dr. Robert McBane, a blood clotting expert at the Mayo Clinic, believes many cases can be blamed on thrombophilia. While hemophilia describes a hereditary disorder in which the blood has difficulty clotting, thrombophilia describes the opposite problem - a genetic propensity for the blood to clot too easily.

Between 3 and 5 percent of people have that problem, McBane said.

"When these vulnerable people are put in the correct situation, like surgery, a car accident, coma, or maybe they have an extra-long flight or something, they are more prone to forming a blood clot," he said.

"If you look at the number of people traveling on airplanes every day and the number of people who develop a blood clot in that situation, it's pretty darn low," McBane said. "What about driving a truck? I'm not convinced it's about sitting in an airplane or even sitting at a desk so much as an underlying predisposition."

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> —Robert McBane
> Blood-clotting expert at the Mayo Clinic

"You don't know who's vulnerable," McBane added. "We may all be forming blood clots all the time. There's something different about somebody who goes on to develop a clinical clot and someone whose clot is transient."

Some experts say one reason such clots seem to be on the rise is that greater numbers of high-risk people are flying because improved health care allows them to lead more normal lives.

Deep vein thrombosis - in which a blood clot forms in a deep vein in the calves - is common, affecting about one in 1,000 people, McBane said. It is the fourth-leading cause of death in the United States.

Signs include aching legs, pins and needles, and problems bearing weight on the legs. If the clot moves to the lungs, chest pain is often a sign.

The clot can kill if it breaks off from the leg vein and travels to the lungs.

In 1856, German researcher Rudolf Virchow, the father of blood clotting science, established three conditions involved in forming blood clots - lack of circulation, injury to a vein and increased coagulation, or the changing of liquid blood into a more jelly-like substance.

Scientists have since discovered more, including about a dozen inherited risk factors. Until 1995 the majority of those were deficiencies of proteins that inhibit clot formation.

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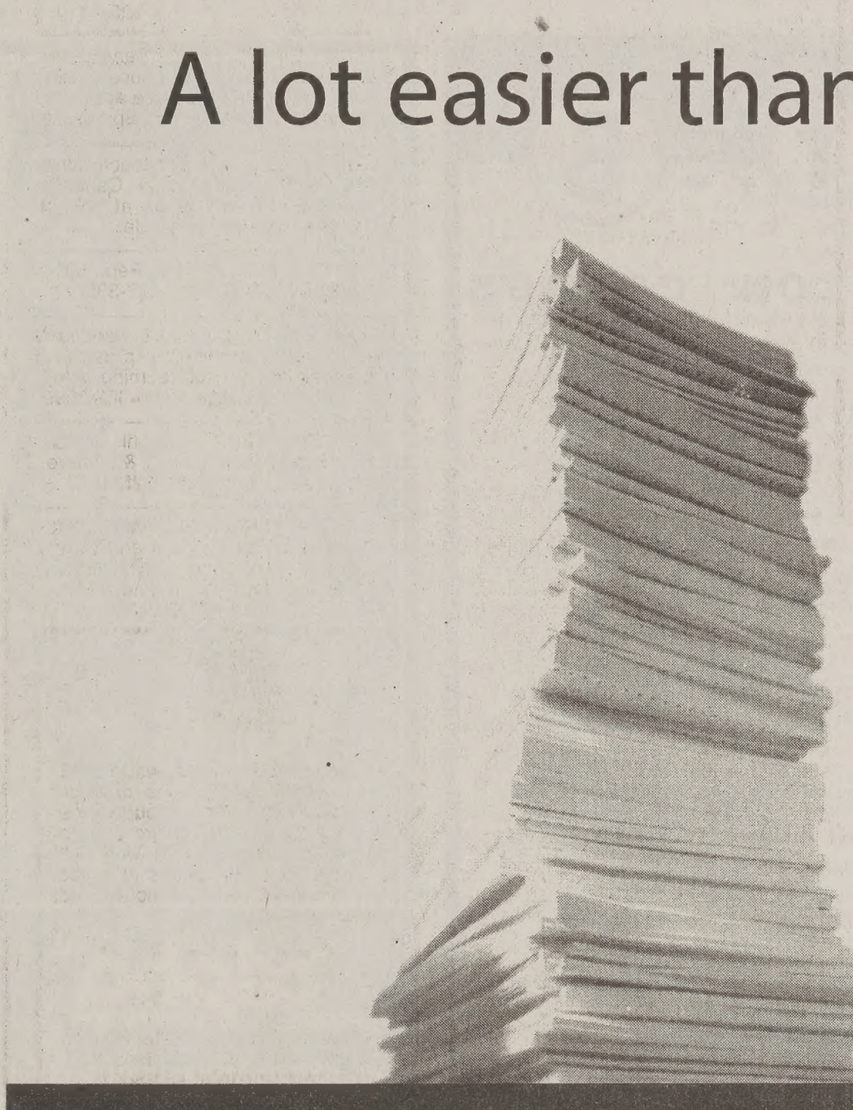

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17 Purchase of 1625
18 Popular one-named singer
19 Not on the margin
20 Kitchen extension?
21 Coach
22 Request from mom
24 Lonely place, supposedly
28 Pitch
30 Kind of feedback
31 Mulls (over)
32 Cadge
35 Cherried dessert
38 Penrod's pal, in "Penrod"
39 "Mad Max" extra
40 Kind of chair
41 Fretted
42 College in George Fitch stories
43 Tugboat's fee, e.g.
46 Keep out
47 River crossed by Allied forces in February 1945
48 Okay
51 Hack
55 1959 Dion and the Belmonts hit
58 Private coach
59 Continued arguing

DOWN

1 Restaurant order, maybe, with "the"
2 Oscar role for Luise Rainer, 1937
3 Ruled
4 Govt. regulators
5 Morn-and-pop org.
6 Relishes
7 They're custom-made
8 School house
9 It means everything
10 Some people chase them
11 Hosts
12 Claim
13 Peachy
14 "The Faerie Queene" division
15 Broke off
21 It may keep readers hanging
23 "Casablanca" screenwriter Julius
24 Notebook features
25 Hippy entertainment
26 Cracker topper
27 Jerk
28 Bit
29 Goggle (at)
31 Metallurgy fuel
32 Southeastern Conf. team
33 They're played at a 25-Down
34 Screen
36 No-parking zone
37 Harsh cry
41 Pet
42 Molière metier
43 "The Sound of Music" name
44 Kind of space
45 Spot check?
46 Special delivery
49 Major Hoople's holler
50 Spondulix
51 History Muse
52 ___ soit qui mal y pense
53 It's hot in here
54 Forward
56 Rebuffs
57 Day break

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Army acknowledges deaths of Korean refugees

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Army acknowledged Thursday that American soldiers shot to death an "unknown number" of South Korean refugees early in the Korean War, but said there was no evidence they were ordered to do so.

"I deeply regret that Korean civilians lost their lives at No Gun Ri," President Clinton said, stopping short of an apology.

Reversing its long-held stance that no U.S. troops were involved, the Army said: "It is clear, based upon all available evidence, that an unknown number of Korean civilians were killed or injured" by small-arms fire, artillery and mortar fire and strafing by U.S. warplanes in the vicinity of the hamlet of No Gun Ri.

The president said the Army's findings, after 15 months of investigation, are a "painful reminder of the tragedies of war."

In explaining the killings, the Army said U.S. soldiers "were not ordered to attack and kill civilian refugees," although some veterans interviewed by Army investigators said they received orders to "stop civilians" and some believed this meant they were authorized to use deadly force to prevent unarmed civilians from passing near No Gun Ri.

The Army cited "conflicting statements and misunderstandings" about whether orders were given, but its investigators concluded that no oral or written orders were given to "shoot and kill" South Korean civilians at that time.

South Korean survivors denounced the findings, and the South Korean government has resisted the U.S. conclusion that no orders were given.

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"Any final report that does not deal with the responsibility of commanders has a serious defect," Chung Koo—do, spokesman for the survivors' group, said in Seoul. "It can't be construed as anything other than a Pentagon attempt to whitewash the massacre."

"America has no justice or conscience," said his father, Chung Eun—yong, a former policeman who lost two children in the No Gun Ri killings.

Although it declined to assign blame to any military leaders, the Army's acknowledgment that GIs killed civilian refugees near No Gun Ri reverses its previous assertions that there was no evidence of U.S. military involvement in the killings.

The South Koreans conducted their own investigation and planned to release their findings later in the day.

A joint U.S.—South Korean statement said, "In the desperate opening weeks of defensive combat in the Korean War, U.S. soldiers killed or injured an unconfirmed number of Korean refugees in the last week of July 1950 during a withdrawal under pressure in the vicinity of No Gun Ri."

The new Army investigation was ordered by Defense Secretary William Cohen in September 1999 after The Associated Press published a report describing the No Gun Ri shootings. The report won the 2000 Pulitzer Prize.

After reviewing more than a million documents and interviewing American veterans who were present at No Gun Ri, the Army concluded that while some facts may never be known, the shootings were not deliberate and were not done on orders from superiors.

The Army's report said, in essence, that the killing of civilians was an unavoidable accident of war.

"What befell civilians in the vicinity of No Gun Ri in late July 1950 was a tragic and deeply regrettable accompaniment [to] war forced upon unprepared [U.S.] and Republic of Korea [forces]," the investigative report concluded.

The joint statement said [that] U.S. soldiers fired at the refugees hiding in a railroad tunnel [and] other locations at No Gun Ri. "They did so either to control refugees' movements or because they believed they had received small arms fire from those locations. As a result, an unknown number of refugees was killed or injured."

Despite the finding that soldiers killed refugees, the United States did not address demands of survivors and family members for compensation. Instead, Clinton said a memorial would be built to honor "these and all other innocent Korean civilians" killed during the 1950 war.

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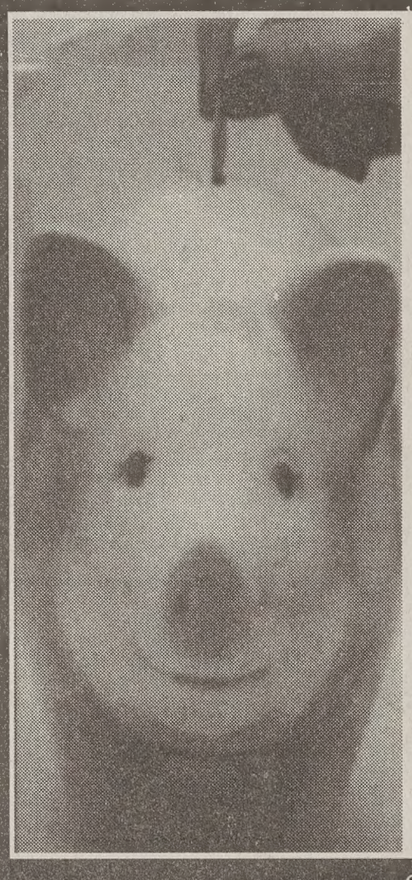

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